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Lawson House
Friendsville
Private

Ca. 1900

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Rumbaugh House

AND/OR COMMON

Lawson House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Morgantown Rd. , 8/10 mi. E of Blaine Frantz Road

CITY, TOWN

Friendsville

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Tom Davis Jr., Marlin Lawson

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 161, 327

Folio #: 456, 392

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☒ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED

☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Lawson House is situated on Old Morgantown Rd., approx. 8/10 of a mile E of its intersection with Blaine Frantz Road. The house stands at the point where in the early 20th century, the Old Morgantown Road bed, running E to Selbysport, was changed. The old road ran considerably north of the current route, and is visible as a depression that runs directly in front of the house.

The house is a two-story, gable-roofed dwelling with a symmetrical three-bay facade. The house is three bays deep and the facade points SE.

The house rests on a coursed stone foundation, painted white on the NW and SW elevations. On the facade (SE) and the SW elevations the walls are covered with white aluminum siding. On the NE and NW elevations the walls are covered with green-painted German siding. At the N corner, the cornerboards have been cut to resemble uoins and painted beige. There are shadows where similar cornerboards have been removed on the German siding at the W and E corners.

On the first floor of the facade are two modern bay windows with 6 over 6 sash on either side of a central door. All other windows are one over one sash. On the NE and NW elevations, all windows have cornices and shouldered trim. The cornices exhibit symmetrically moulded architraves with central bullseyes. On the facade (SE) and SW elevations, all window trim has been removed. The facade exhibits paired windows in the central bay of the second floor. All windows have louvered shutters, painted black.

The gable roof has cross-gables at the facade (SE) and NW elevations. At the NW elevation, the cross-gable is positioned above the main cornice line, and has a single one over one window. On the facade the cross-gable has double windows. The two gable ends and the facade cross-gable have jigsawn bargeboards at the apex of the gable. The roof is covered with slate shingles in square and fish-scale shapes.

The house has one interior chimney, just to the NE of the cross-gables.

The house has two porches. On the facade is a one-story, one-bay gable-roofed porch covering the central door. The porch has a new stone facade foundation and its roof is covered with asphalt shingles and by two round columns. On the E end of the NE elevation is a shed-roofed porch covering a side door and two windows. The porch roof is covered with asphalt shingles and supported by 4 round columns.

To the SW of the house is a frame, gable-roofed barn and several outbuildings.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1900

BUILDER/ARCHITECT ? Rumbaugh

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

According to the owners, a man named Rumbaugh built this house. Mr. Rumbaugh may have been a fairly prosperous Garrett County farmer or businessman. Of special interest are the cornerboards, carved to resemble quoins, the elaborate bargeboards, and other details, indicating a certain amount of wealth.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ann Burns, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

March 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

301-269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

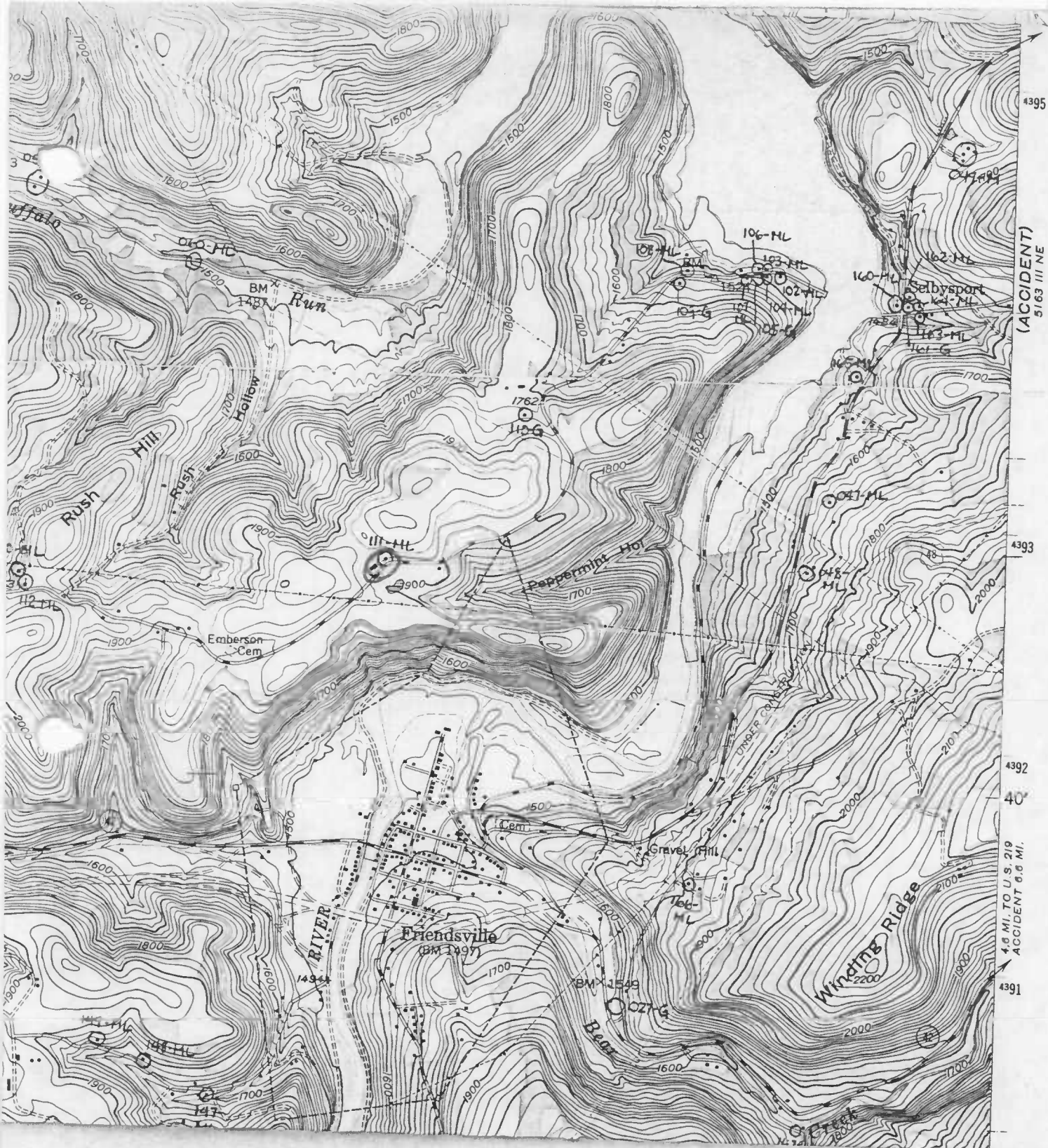
STATE

Maryland 21401

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 Scale-1:24,000
 1947; photorevised 1974

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Photo: M. Stinson 16 Sept 1980

Facade: SE elev; NE elev.



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NW & SW elevs.



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Porch, NE elev.